By His Excellency John Rutledge Esquire
President and Commander in Chief of South
Carolina.

To all to whom these Presents shall come Greeting

Know Ye that I by and with the Advice and
Consent of the Privy Council of this State have constituted
and Appointed And by these Presents do Constitute
and appoint John Lowell and Francis Dana of
the Massachusetts Bay Esquires Attornies for and
in Behalf of this State to ask, demand Sue for Recover
and Receive of and from Elijah Freeman Payne, and
all other Persons whosoever in the State of Massachusetts
Bay all Sums of Money whatsoever which are due or
owing from them or any of them to this State and
all Shares of Prizes in the State of Massachusetts
Bay to which this State is interested. Giving unto the
said John Lowell and Francis Dana full Power and
Authority by these Presents to commence and Prosecute
any Suit Action or Appeal which may be requisite
in any Court or Courts in the said State. And to ap-
point Attornies and Proctors for the Purposes aforesaid
and in General to do and Perform every Act Matter
and Thing whatsoever which may be necessary in and
about the Premises as fully and effectually to all intents
and Purposes as I with the Advice and Consent of the
Privy Council may or can do, or as if their Powers were

herein more particularly Specified.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of South Carolina at Charles Town in the said State this twenty third day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and seventy seven.

J. Rutledge

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